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National Bamboo Mission
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of the achievements made by the Government under the National Bamboo Mission along with the bamboo coverage in the country since 2005, year-wise;

(b) the details of the export revenue from bamboo and bamboo related products\ both in absolute terms and as a percentage of total exports;

(c) the steps taken by the Government to increase bamboo cultivation in the country; and

(d) whether the Government has also imported bamboo from other countries, if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FARMERS WELFARE

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(a): Year-wise & major component-wise achievements since 2006-07 to 2015-16 under National Bamboo Mission, renamed as National Agroforestry & Bamboo Mission (NABM) on 6th July, 2015 is available at Annexure − I.

(b): Export data of the bamboo and bamboo related products for the last three years and current year is available at Annexure − II. (Source : DGCI&S).

(c): Various steps have been taken to further promote the cultivation of bamoo in the country like

(i) Establishment of High-Tech nurseries and rehabilitation of Tissue Culture units for making available good quality planting material

(ii) stress on training to farmers

(iii) dissemination of information of best practices for cultivation and harvesting techniques through seminars and printing material etc.

(iv) under R&D work, Indian Council of Forestry Research and Education (ICFRE), Dehradun and its research institutes, identified and collected various superior genotypes of bamboo species from different eco-zones of country including NE states. Now ICFRE is intended to multiply genotypes for various bamboo breeding / improvement programme and also for production of quality planting material.

(d): Yes, import data of the bamboo and bamboo related products for the last three years and current year is available at Annexure − III. (Source : DGCI&S)